IN THE CLAIMS

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with <u>strikethrough</u>. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND the claims in accordance with the following.

Please ADD new claims according to the following.

1-13. (cancelled)

14. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An interrupt control apparatus applied to a data processing system having a function of executing a conditional instruction that executes a designated data processing when a designated condition of a branch is satisfied and a determination of the condition of the branch and the executed data processing when the branch condition is satisfied are indivisible, said apparatus comprising:

a break detection section for detecting a breakpoint set at an arbitrary position of an instruction sequence;

a condition determination section for determining whether or not a condition of <u>a branch</u> of said conditional instruction is satisfied; and

a control section for controlling a break-interrupt on the basis of based upon a breakpoint detection result from said break detection section and a branch condition determination result from said condition determination section.

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An interrupt control apparatus applied to a data processing system having a function of executing a conditional instruction that executes a designated data processing when a designated condition of a branch is satisfied and a determination of the condition of the branch and the executed data processing when the branch condition is satisfied are indivisible, said apparatus comprising:

an instruction break detection section for detecting an instruction break in accordance with whether or not an instruction corresponding to an instruction address representing a breakpoint, which is set in a register, is read-out, and outputting a detection signal representing a detection result;

a condition determination section for determining whether or not a condition of <u>a branch</u> of the conditional instruction is satisfied, and outputting a <u>branch condition</u> determination signal representing a determination result; and

a logical operation section for performing an AND operation to said detection signal output from said instruction break detection section and said <u>branch condition</u> determination signal output from said condition determination section, and sending a break-interrupt notification in accordance with the AND operation result.

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 15, wherein said condition determination section is designed to determine whether or not an instruction word is said conditional instruction, if said instruction word is said conditional instruction, determine whether or not the <u>branch</u> condition of the conditional instruction is satisfied, and output the <u>branch</u> condition determination signal representing the result, and

when an instruction word corresponding to the instruction address representing said breakpoint is an unconditional instruction or a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied branch condition, said logical operation section does not send athe break-interrupt notification, and when said instruction word is the conditional instruction having a satisfied branch condition, said logical operation section sends said break-interrupt notification.

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 15, wherein said apparatus further comprises a mode setting section for setting one of a first mode in which said break-interrupt is generated when a generation condition of said instruction break is satisfied, and the branch condition of said conditional instruction is satisfied, and a second mode in which said break-interrupt is generated when said generation condition of said instruction break is satisfied,

said condition determination section is designed to determine whether or not an instruction word is said conditional instruction, if said instruction word is said conditional instruction, determine whether or not the <u>branch</u> condition of the conditional instruction is satisfied, and output the branch condition determination signal-representing the result, and

in said first mode, when an instruction word corresponding to the instruction address representing said breakpoint is an unconditional instruction or a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied <u>branch</u> condition, said logical operation section does not sends a<u>the</u> break-interrupt notification, and when said instruction word is the conditional instruction having a satisfied <u>branch</u> condition, said logical operation section sends a<u>the</u> break-interrupt notification, and in said second mode, when said instruction word is an instruction word corresponding to the instruction address representing said breakpoint, said logical operation section sends said break-interrupt notification.

18. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 15, wherein said condition determination section is designed to determine whether or not an instruction word is said conditional instruction, if said instruction word is said conditional instruction, determine whether or not the <u>branch</u> condition of the conditional instruction is satisfied, and output the <u>branch</u> condition determination signal representing the result, and

when an instruction word corresponding to the instruction address representing said breakpoint is a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied <u>branch</u> condition, said logical operation section does not send a<u>the</u> break-interrupt notification, and when said instruction word is an unconditional instruction or the conditional instruction having a satisfied <u>branch</u> condition, said logical operation section sends said break-interrupt notification.

19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 15, wherein said apparatus further comprises a mode setting section for setting one of a first mode in which said break-interrupt is generated when a generation condition of said instruction break is satisfied, and the branch.condition of said conditional instruction is satisfied, and a second mode in which said break-interrupt is generatinggenerated when said generation condition of said instruction break is satisfied,

said condition determination section is designed to determine whether or not an instruction word is said conditional instruction, if said instruction word is said conditional instruction, determine whether or not the <u>branch</u> condition of the conditional instruction is satisfied, and output the branch condition determination signal representing the result, and

in said first mode, when an instruction word corresponding to the instruction address representing said breakpoint is a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied <u>branch</u> condition, said logical operation section does not send a<u>the</u> break-interrupt notification, and when said instruction word is an unconditional instruction or the conditional instruction having a satisfied <u>branch</u> condition, said logical operation section sends a<u>the</u> break-interrupt notification, and in said second mode, when said instruction word is an instruction word corresponding to the instruction address representing said breakpoint, said logical operation section sends said break-interrupt notification.

- 20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 15, wherein said data processing system comprises one of a scalar processor for performing one unit of processing in accordance with one instruction, a long instruction word processor for parallelly parallel executing short instructions forming a long instruction word, and a parallel processor for parallelly parallel executing at least one basic instruction forming a variable-length instruction word.
- 21. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An interrupt control apparatus applied to a data processing system having a function of executing a conditional instruction that executes a designated data processing when a designated condition of a branch is satisfied and a determination of the condition of the branch and the executed data processing when the branch condition is satisfied are indivisible, said apparatus comprising:

an instruction break detection section for detecting an instruction break in accordance with whether er not an instruction corresponding to an instruction address representing a breakpoint, which is set in a register, is read-out, and sending a break-interrupt notification in accordance with a detection result the detecting of the instruction break; and

a control section for, in an interrupt handler activated in accordance with said breakinterrupt notification supplied from said instruction break detection section, determining whether er not a condition of a branch of said conditional instruction is satisfied, and controlling breakinterrupt processing in accordance with a determination result the determining of the branch condition of the conditional instruction.

- 22. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 21, wherein said control section determines, in said interrupt handler, whether or not an instruction word as an instruction break target is said conditional instruction, and when said instruction word is said conditional instruction, determines whether or not a the branch condition of said conditional instruction is satisfied, and when said instruction word as said instruction break target is an unconditional instruction or a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied branch condition, returns from said interrupt handler, and when said instruction word as said instruction break target is a conditional instruction having a satisfied branch condition, performs said break-interrupt processing.
- 23. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 21, wherein said apparatus further comprises a mode setting section for setting one of a first mode in which said break-interrupt is generated when a generation condition of said instruction break is satisfied, and the condition of the branch of said conditional instruction is satisfied, and a second mode in which said break-interrupt is generated when said generation condition of said instruction break is satisfied, and

in said first mode, said control section determines, in said interrupt handler, whether er net-an instruction word as an instruction break target is said conditional instruction, when said instruction word is said conditional instruction, determines whether or not athe condition of the branch of said conditional instruction is satisfied, when said instruction word as said instruction break target is an unconditional instruction or a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied branch condition, returns from said interrupt handler, and when said instruction word as said instruction break target is a conditional instruction having a satisfied branch condition, performs said break-interrupt processing, and in said second mode, said control section performs said break-interrupt processing when receiving said break-interrupt notification.

24. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 21, wherein said control section determines, in said interrupt handler, whether or not an instruction word as an instruction break target is said conditional instruction, when said instruction word is said

conditional instruction, determines whether athe condition of the branch of said conditional instruction is satisfied, when said instruction word as said instruction break target is a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied branch condition, returns from said interrupt handler, and when said instruction word as said instruction break target is an unconditional instruction or a conditional instruction having a satisfied branch condition, performs said break-interrupt processing.

25. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 21, wherein said apparatus further comprises a mode setting section for setting one of a first mode in which said break-interrupt is generated when a generation condition of said instruction break is satisfied, and the condition of the branch of said conditional instruction is satisfied, and a second mode in which said break-interrupt is generated when said generation condition of said instruction break is satisfied, and

in said first mode, said control section determines, in said interrupt handler, whether er not-an instruction word as an instruction break target is said conditional instruction, when said instruction word is said conditional instruction, determines whether or not athe condition of the branch of said conditional instruction is satisfied, when said instruction word as said instruction break target is a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied branch condition, returns from said interrupt handler, and when said instruction word as said instruction break target is an unconditional instruction or a conditional instruction having a satisfied branch condition, performs said break-interrupt processing, and in said second mode, said control section performs said break-interrupt processing when receiving said break-interrupt notification.

26. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 21, wherein said data processing system comprises one of a scalar processor for performing one unit of processing in accordance with one instruction, a long instruction word processor for parallellyparallel executing short instructions forming a long instruction word, and a parallel processor for parallellyparallel executing at least one basic instruction forming a variable-length instruction word.

27. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An interrupt control apparatus applied to a data processing system having a function of executing a conditional instruction that executes a designated data processing when a designated condition of a branch is satisfied and a determination of the condition of the branch and the executed data processing when the branch condition is satisfied are indivisible, said apparatus comprising:

a software break detection section for detecting a software break in accordance with whether er not a breakpoint instruction replaced placed at an arbitrary position of an instruction sequence is executed, and sending a break-interrupt notification in accordance with a detection result the detection of the software break; and

a control section for, in an interrupt handler activated in accordance with said break-interrupt notification supplied from said software break detection section, determining whether er net-a condition of a branch of said conditional instruction is satisfied, and controlling break-interrupt processing in accordance with a determination result the determining of the branch condition of the conditional instruction.

- 28. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 27, wherein said control section determines, in said interrupt handler, whether or not an instruction word as a software break target is said conditional instruction, and when said instruction word is said conditional instruction, determines whether or not a the branch condition of said conditional instruction is satisfied, and when said instruction word as said software break target is an unconditional instruction or a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied branch condition, returns from said interrupt handler, and when said instruction word as said software break target is a conditional instruction having a satisfied branch condition, performs said break-interrupt processing.
- 29. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 27, wherein said apparatus further comprises a mode setting section for setting one of a first mode in which said break-interrupt is generated when a generation condition of said software break is satisfied, and the branch-condition of said conditional instruction is satisfied, and a second mode in which said break-interrupt is generatinggenerated when said generation condition of said software break is satisfied, and

in said first mode, said control section determines, in said interrupt handler, whether er net-an instruction word as a software break target is said conditional instruction, when said instruction word is said conditional instruction, determines whether or not a the branch condition of said conditional instruction is satisfied, when said instruction word as said software break target is an unconditional instruction or a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied <u>branch</u> condition, returns from said interrupt handler, and when said instruction word as said software break target is a conditional instruction having a satisfied <u>branch</u> condition, performs said break-interrupt processing, and in said second mode, said control section performs said break-interrupt processing when receiving said break-interrupt notification.

- 30. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 27, wherein said control section determines, in said interrupt handler, whether or not an instruction word as a software break target is said conditional instruction, when said instruction word is said conditional instruction, determines whether or not a the branch condition of said conditional instruction is satisfied, when said instruction word as said software break target is a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied branch condition, returns from said interrupt handler, and when said instruction word as said software break target is an unconditional instruction or a conditional instruction having a satisfied branch condition, performs said break-interrupt processing.
- 31. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 27, wherein said apparatus further comprises a mode setting section for setting one of a first mode in which said break-interrupt is generated when a generation condition of said software break is satisfied, and the branch_condition of said conditional instruction is satisfied, and a second mode in which said break-interrupt is generating when said generation condition of said software break is satisfied, and

in said first mode, said control section determines, in said interrupt handler, whether er net-an instruction word as a software break target is said conditional instruction, when said instruction word is said conditional instruction, determines whether or not a the branch condition of said conditional instruction is satisfied, when said instruction word as said software break target is a conditional instruction having an unsatisfied <u>branch</u> condition, returns from said interrupt handler, and when said instruction word as said software break target is an unconditional instruction or a conditional instruction having a satisfied <u>branch</u> condition,

performs said break-interrupt processing, and in said second mode, said control section performs said break-interrupt processing when receiving said break-interrupt notification.

- 32. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus according to claim 27, wherein said data processing system comprises one of a scalar processor for performing one unit of processing in accordance with one instruction, a long instruction word processor for parallellyparallel executing short instructions forming a long instruction word, and a parallel processor for parallellyparallel executing at least one basic instruction forming a variable-length instruction word.
- 33. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An interrupt control method for controlling a break-interrupt in a data processing system having a function of executing a conditional instruction that executes a designated data processing when a designated condition of a branch is satisfied and a determination of the condition of the branch and the executed data processing when the branch condition is satisfied are indivisible, said method comprising the steps of:

detecting a breakpoint set at an arbitrary position of an instruction sequence;

determining whether er not a condition of a branch of said conditional instruction is satisfied; and

controlling the break-interrupt on the basis of a detection resultbased upon the detecting of said breakpoint and a determination result the determining of the branch condition of said conditional instruction.

34. (NEW) An apparatus comprising:

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detecting a breakpoint set at an arbitrary position of an instruction sequence; determining a branch of an instruction; and

controlling a break-interrupt based upon the detecting the breakpoint and the determining of the branch of the instruction.